

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/852,829	LOWE ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Cam Y Truong (Examiner). (3)_____.

(2) Betty Formby (Attorney). (4)_____.

Date of Interview: 02 December 2005.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 3, 6, 7, 9, 12, 14 and 17.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.



 Examiner's signature, if required

Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record

A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews

Paragraph (b)

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

37 CFR §1.2 Business to be transacted in writing.

All business with the Patent or Trademark Office should be transacted in writing. The personal attendance of applicants or their attorneys or agents at the Patent and Trademark Office is unnecessary. The action of the Patent and Trademark Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. No attention will be paid to any alleged oral promise, stipulation, or understanding in relation to which there is disagreement or doubt.

The action of the Patent and Trademark Office cannot be based exclusively on the written record in the Office if that record is itself incomplete through the failure to record the substance of interviews.

It is the responsibility of the applicant or the attorney or agent to make the substance of an interview of record in the application file, unless the examiner indicates he or she will do so. It is the examiner's responsibility to see that such a record is made and to correct material inaccuracies which bear directly on the question of patentability.

Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicant's correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:

- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
- Name of applicant
- Name of examiner
- Date of interview
- Type of interview (telephonic, video-conference, or personal)
- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
- An indication whether or not an exhibit was shown or a demonstration conducted
- An identification of the specific prior art discussed
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- 4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
- 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
(The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicant's record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

Examiner to Check for Accuracy

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiner's version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, "Interview Record OK" on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiner's initials.

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative allows examiner to amend claims 1, 6, 7, 12 and 17 and cancel claims 3, 9, 14 to put the claims in condition for allowance.
The amendment is followed:

1. (Currently amended) A method for building a search query in a data processing system having a graphical user interface, comprising the computer-implemented steps of:
receiving a request to run a query and an attribute identification;
receiving a representative graphical user interface object by a find function;
determining whether said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into a template search folder after receiving said request to run a query, said attribute identification, and said representative graphical user interface object;
response to a determination that said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into said template folder, receiving a user input from an input device;
responsive to said user input, dropping a graphical component representing a first system object onto a graphical component representing a query function, wherein said first system object contains an attribute to create a search query;
presenting a set of attributes of the first system object;
receiving a user selection of at least one attribute in the set of attributes to create a selected set of attributes;
receiving query instructions after receiving said user selection of the at least one attribute;
responsive to receiving said user selection and receiving said query instructions, creating a search query from the selected set of attributes;
running the created search query to obtain query results of objects; and
returning the query results of objects to a results folder.

6. (Currently amended) A system for building a search query in a data processing system having a graphical user interface, comprising:
a bus system;
an input device connected to the bus system;
a memory connected to the bus system, wherein the memory includes a set of instructions; and
a processing unit connected to the bus system,
wherein the processing unit receives a request to run a query and an attribute identification;
the processing unit receives a representative graphical user interface object by a find function;
the processing unit determines whether said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into a template search folder after receiving said request to run a query, said attribute identification, and said representative graphical user interface object,
the processing unit responds to a determination that said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into said template search folder and receives a user input from the input device;
the processing unit, responsive to receiving user input from the input device, executes the set of instructions to drop a graphical component representing a first system object onto a graphical component representing a query function, wherein said first system object contains an attribute to create the search query,
the processing unit presents a set of attributes of the first system object,
the processing unit receives a user selection of at least one attribute in the set of attributes to create a selected set of attributes,
the processing unit receives query instructions after receiving said user selection of the at least one attribute;
the processing unit constructs a search query in response to receiving said user selection and receiving query instructions;
the processing unit runs the constructed search query to obtain query results of objects; and the processing unit returns the query results of objects to a results folder.

7. (Currently amended) A system for building a search query in a data processing system having a graphical user interface, comprising:
means for receiving a request to run a query and an attribute identification;
means for receiving a representation graphical user interface object by a find function;
means for determining whether said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into a template search folder after receiving said request to run a query, said attribute identification, and said representative graphical user interface object,
means for receiving a user input from the input device responsive to a determination that said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into said template search folder;
means, responsive to the user input, for dropping a graphical component representing a first system object onto a

graphical component representing a query function, wherein said first system object contains an attribute to create a search query;

means for presenting a set of attributes of the first system object;

means for receiving a user selection of at least one attribute in the set of attributes to create a selected set of attributes; and

means for receiving query instructions after receiving said user selection of the at least one attribute;

means for constructing a search query using the received query instructions and the received user selection;

means for running the constructed search query to obtain query results of objects; and returning means for returning the query results of objects to a result folder.

12. (Currently amended) A computer program product in a computer readable medium for building a search query in a data processing system having a graphical user interface, comprising:

instructions for receiving a request to run a query and an attribute identification;

instructions for receiving a representative graphical user interface object by a find function;

instructions for determining whether said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into a template search folder after receiving said request to run a query, said attribute identification, and said representative graphical user interface object,

instructions for receiving, responsive to a determination that said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into said template search folder, a user input from an input device;

instructions, responsive to user input, for dropping a graphical component representing a first system object onto a graphical component representing a query function, wherein said first system object contains an attribute to create a search query;

instructions for presenting a set of attributes of the first system object;

instructions for receiving a user selection of at least one attribute in the set of attributes to create a selected set of attributes,

instructions for receiving query instructions after receiving said user selection of the at least one attribute, and

instructions for creating a search query using the received query instructions and the received user selection;

instructions for running the created search query to obtain query results of objects; and instructions for returning the query results of objects to a results folder.

17. (Currently amended) A method in a data processing system for building a search query, the method comprising the computer-implemented steps:

receiving a request to run a query and a property identification;

receiving a representative graphical user interface object by a find function;

after receiving said request to run a query, said property identification, and said representative graphical user interface object, determining whether said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into a template search folder;

responsive to a determination that said representative graphical user interface object has been dragged into said template search folder, receiving a selection of said representative graphical user object, wherein said representative graphical user interface object contains an attribute to create a search query;

responsive to said selection of said representative graphical user interface object, displaying a set of properties for said representative graphical user interface object;

receiving a selection of at least one of said set of properties for said representative graphical user interface object that form selected properties;

responsive to receiving said selected properties, receiving query instructions;

constructing a search query using the received query instructions;

running the constructed search query to obtain query results of objects; and

returning the query results of objects to